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MEMORANDUM FOR: Records Administration Branch  
Information Systems Analysis Staff

FROM:

Chairman, Board of Editors  
Studies in Intelligence

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SUBJECT: Request for Waiver from Portion Marking  
Requirement, E0 12065

REFERENCE:

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1. Section 12d (Portion Marking) of  provides for the waiving of the paragraph-by-paragraph classification requirement stipulated in E0 12065. This memorandum seeks the approval of such a waiver for the publication Studies in Intelligence, a scholarly journal published by the Central Intelligence Agency for intelligence officers throughout the government. A sample copy of the publication is attached.

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2. When CIA Headquarters  laid down similar classification requirements for CIA publications, the then Deputy Director of Central Intelligence granted a waiver to Studies; a copy of the memorandum of approval is attached. Our argument then, as now, is that paragraph markings are inappropriate to a scholarly journal consisting of articles derived, not from raw intelligence data or sources, but from the thoughts and experiences of intelligence officers. When articles in Studies are classified (and many are unclassified) it is generally because the total effect of the article is to reveal the methods and processes by which secret intelligence is produced. With few exceptions, an article is either totally classified or totally unclassified. Studies articles are never the basis for classification of other documents; rather, they are a sort of postscript or footnote to the end of the intelligence process. Finally, there are many cases where paragraph-by-paragraph classification of articles is simply impracticable, if not impossible: a case in point is the article on the  in the sample issue attached.

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3. The Editor of Studies in Intelligence desires to continue the present system of classifying each article in an issue separately and in toto, maintaining the over-all Secret classification for the journal itself. He would on occasion use the device specified in paragraph 12d(3) and note at the end of an article, for example, that "only the first, second and final paragraphs of this article, plus the section headed 'Case Study,' are classified Secret; the rest of the article is unclassified." (Note that it would be inappropriate to number the paragraphs in a scholarly article.)

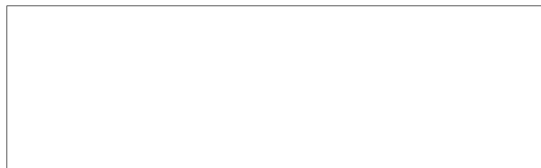
4. The following information responds to subparagraphs 4(b) and 4(c) of this section:

c) Studies is disseminated in approximately 1,400 copies to all elements and levels of the intelligence community and intelligence consumers in the United States and abroad.

d) Articles in Studies never form the basis for classification of other documents, and every effort is made to publish articles at the lowest possible level of classification.

5. I will appreciate your securing approval of this request from the Assistant for Information, DDA, and having it forwarded to the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office.

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Attachments:

- 1) DDCI Memorandum Dated 23 June 1977
- 2) Studies in Intelligence XXII/3 Fall 1978, Copy #325  
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